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The Newsletter of the St. Louis-Kansas City
Carpenters Regional Council



STOP "RIGHT TO WORK"

A NEW DEAL

*Contract Extensions Will Protect Our Members and
Carry Us Through the Foreseeable Future*

At the time of the *Carpenter* going to press, the St. Louis-Kansas City Carpenters Regional Council, along with the Southern Illinois Builders Association and the Kansas City Builders Association, have reached a five-year contract extension, expiring April 30, 2023.

We currently have a tentative five-year contract extension with the AGC of Missouri and the Home Builders Association of St. Louis and Eastern Missouri.

Thank you to our contractor associations with your help in this endeavor.

To our Missouri Illinois Independent Builder (MIIB) Contractors: You will be receiving a copy of the newly executed five-year contract extension for the Carpenters Regional Council Agreement and Addendum via certified mail in the coming days.

As you will see, I have signed and dated both documents. Please sign and return to my office a fully executed signature page for both the Agreement and Addendum no later than **August 25, 2017.**

We look forward to our continued partnership with our contractors.

Al Bond,
Executive Secretary-Treasurer



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Al Bond, Jr. Executive Secretary-Treasurer

It's said that every cloud has a silver lining. Sometimes, the things that we think are nothing but bad news actually have some redeeming value.

In January, Missouri lawmakers passed, and the governor signed, a bill that we had been resisting for a long time. We all knew that "Right to Work" was spreading across the United States as conservative extremists gained power in many parts of the country.

Missouri, with its pro-business majority controlling the Legislature, was a likely target for those wanting to see RTW laws expanded to even more states. All that was needed was a sympathetic governor with the same extremist agenda to sign on the dotted line.

While we anticipated stepped-up attacks on labor unions after the election of Gov. Eric Greitens, the response to those attacks has been a revelation. A silver lining.

It has galvanized working men and women and spawned a network of activists that organized labor has not seen in a generation. There are bumper stickers, t-shirts and yard signs all over the state. There is constant discussion on social media; people sharing information and opinions. Union members, and even non-members, have contacted us wanting to get involved in the fight.

If the politicians and their big-money donors thought that taking power away from the working people would be easy, they're finding out how wrong they were.

An aggressive petition drive is underway to block the new "Right to Work" law from taking effect. A Day of Action held in June saw thousands of people show up at locations across Missouri to sign the petition and we're getting more signatures each day.

The best thing you can do immediately to help your brothers and sisters is to sign the petition. The deadline is fast approaching.

It's important to note that you must **live in Missouri** and be a **registered voter** in order to sign. If you are not already registered to vote, the secretary of state's office makes the process simple. You can even download and print the form directly from your computer.

www.sos.mo.gov/elections/govotemissouri/register

Once you're registered, stop in at any petition location and add your name. It takes about 140,000 signatures to block the RTW law, so each and every one of us is crucial. We need to get all of our signatures collected no later than **August 11**.

The other attack that we are fending off is the repeal of Prevailing Wage. Thankfully, lawmakers failed to muster the necessary votes this year to pass the Prevailing Wage bill they wanted, but we know they will try again.

We also know that there will be a legion of us and our friends armed with the tools and networks of connections to fight back. We've become experts at that.

Thank you for staying informed and getting involved.

Al Bond



A man in a checkered shirt and a woman in a blue blazer are looking at a clipboard together outdoors. The man is holding the clipboard and pointing at it, while the woman looks on. They are standing in front of a large green tree.

**STOP
RTW**

SIGN THE PETITION

Carpenter locations across Missouri have the STOP “Right to Work” petition. Come by during regular business hours and add your name to the cause.

DEADLINE - Friday, Aug. 11

813 / 815 Enterprise
Cape Girardeau, MO 63703

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Columbia, MO 65203

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Jefferson City, MO 65109

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Joplin, MO 64801

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Kansas City, MO 64129

4639 W. Pfeiffer Ct
Springfield, MO 65803

1401 Hampton Ave.
St. Louis, MO 63139

8300 Valcour Ave.
St. Louis, MO 63123

Many other locations also have the petition available. For a complete list go to:

www.WeAreMO.org

A SEAT AT THE TABLE

These Carpenters are Looking to
Change the Game...From the Inside

In our last issue, we highlighted Carpenters Representative Shane Anselm, who successfully ran for a seat on the city council in his hometown of St. James, Missouri. As we often say, one of the best ways to influence change in the political system is take a seat at the table in the halls of power.

Running for elective office can be a handy tool in shifting the balance of power away from the mega-donors (and their lawmaker puppets) and putting that power back into the hands of average, working Americans.

Since our last publication, we are happy to report more success stories from the Carpenters family.

At 54, Representative Dan Barger threw his hat in the ring as a first-time political candidate. In April, he beat out a crowded field of eight other contenders to become a trustee in Stookey Township in St. Clair County, Illinois.

"I think it's important for people to take an interest and be active in politics. So many of the things that our elected officials are debating and voting on have a direct effect on all of us. It may not seem that way but they do.

Taxes, labor laws, "Right to Work" ... it all affects our quality of life and what kind of country we're going to be," said Barger.

In Missouri, amid a growing majority of business-friendly politicians pushing for appalling changes to labor policy, unions have banded together to draw attention to an extremely flawed system that favors the rich and powerful over the citizens.

As an outgrowth, ElectMoFamilies has been established to field contenders and guide would-be political candidates through the process of filing for office and running a successful campaign. As the group says, "The only way we can truly - and more permanently - protect the middle class from greedy CEOs and corporations that ship jobs overseas is by electing leaders who will stand up for us and our values."

The goal is to recruit more people who share our values and will stand up for working families to run for office at all levels of government, whether it's school boards, city councils, county commissions or state capitols.

Another winner in April was Representative Greg Hefele, also a first-timer, who easily defeated his opponent in a race for the Fenton, Missouri Board of Aldermen.

Representative Scott Byrne has won reelection to the Washington, Missouri school board (now entering his fourth term) and two members of Local 92, Craig Hood and Don Illig, have been re-elected as trustees in Sugarloaf Township in St Clair County, Illinois.

These kinds of victories help ensure that working Americans will not go ignored.



Dan Barger and Greg Hefele

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PETITION DAY

of Action

JUNE 10 At Carpenter locations across the state (and locations at many other Missouri trade unions) our doors were opened to the public wanting to add their names to the STOP "Right to Work" petition.

Organizers are looking to gather more than 100,000 names from all parts of the state.

Getting the necessary signatures is the first step in a process to ultimately killing RTW in Missouri.

Blocking the law from taking effect is the immediate priority right now.

With this petition we can do that, and then put the issue to a vote of the people next year.

We want voters to have the chance to outlaw RTW in the state of Missouri...and end this debate once and for all.





Photo: Matt Murphy

A Passage to

INDIA



Shocking job site conditions has a Missouri carpenter speaking up.

The nation of India has some of the best worker protection laws in the world. Its urban centers are also experiencing an unprecedented surge in new construction.

If you think all of this is creating good-paying jobs and bright opportunities for the people of India, think again.

“Their laws and policies are better than the United States,” said Susan Moir, who recently led a delegation of construction professionals to India. “But there is no implementation. There is an incredible gulf between what the laws say and what is actually happening.”

Moir, who heads up research at the Labor Resource Center at the University of Massachusetts Boston, invited 15 Americans to tour the construction industry in India and witness firsthand what it looks like in many other parts of the world.

Among the delegates was carpenter Beth Barton (Local 1596), a superintendent with general contractor Tarlton Corp. and president of Missouri Women in the Trades.

Women make up 40 percent of the Indian construction workforce (compared to just three percent in the United States) but they are paid a fraction of their male coworkers and are relegated to the dirtiest, most physical tasks on job sites.

“They’re worked harder and paid less. They do all the heavy physical labor, the cement mixing, excavating and carrying bricks,” Barton said.

Typically, entire families are hired as one unit, meaning husbands who land a construction job will bring their wives and children to live and work with them on the site. The booming economy, creating urgent demand for more construction, is also causing families to migrate from agricultural areas of the country into the cities. It’s a phenomenon that occurs whenever new technological advances are made.

During the Industrial Revolution of the 19th Century, it was the poorest of society who found themselves displaced by the new economy and became the exploited workhorses of the factories.

In an echo of American hostility toward Mexican immigrants, many experienced construction workers in India are losing their jobs to the influx of cheaper labor flooding in from the countryside.

Barton said resentment and prejudice against those of different religions and cultures is keeping India’s trade unions from embracing the migrants and organizing the new workforce. “They let their personal, emotional feelings influence their organizing efforts,” she said.

Five percent of India’s construction industry (mostly government-funded transportation and military projects) is known as “formal.” The other 95 percent is considered “informal,” where wages are doled out in cash, no records are kept and no one pays taxes. It’s on these “informal” jobs where women can be seen working barefoot with no protective equipment, children live and play on the site, wages are appallingly low and everyone works seven days a week.

Moir said the quality of construction in India’s “informal” sector presents the kinds of danger one might expect. “It’s a common occurrence for people to die because the structures they’re working on collapse,” she said.

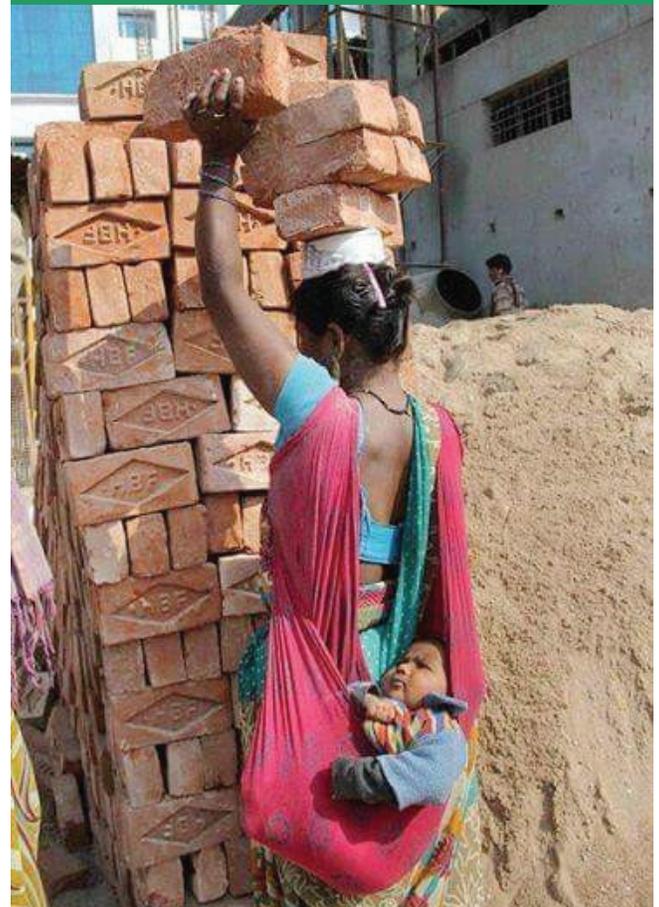
During the three-week trip, the delegation met with workers, government leaders and union officials to understand the extent of India’s construction problems.

In October, Barton and other local tradeswomen will host a group of Indian women coming to America for the annual Women Building Nations Conference. While here, they will visit our work sites and training programs to see the types of equipment and safety precautions that should be standard practice on construction jobs everywhere.

“We’ve been making headway with a national network by and for tradeswomen here in America, but this expands that to other parts of the world,” Barton said. “This whole trip really showed me how important it is to be unified. Without it what you have is chaos.”

In India, women construction workers (called head-loaders because of the bricks they carry on their heads) are assigned the most demanding jobs and work 12-hour days for a fraction of what men are paid.

Photos: Susan Moir



Len Toenjes, President

Associated General Contractors



Eyes on the Road

One of my job responsibilities is to represent the contractors and workers who build and repair Missouri's roads and bridges.

AGC of Missouri works closely with MoDOT to create safe work zones and also trains our crews to work safe. But all too often, drivers ignore speed and safety guidelines, turning work zones into hazardous workplaces for our employees.

In 2016, there were 940 fatalities on Missouri's roads and eight of those occurred within work zones.

Between 2003 and 2010, 962 workers died in highway work zones across the U.S. That's nearly 1,000 families who lost a father, mother, brother or sister. Of all those worker fatalities in work-related work zones:

- 46% were struck by a vehicle.
- One out of 10 of those workers who died in highway work zones were flagging or performing traffic control duties – doing their job to keep drivers safe. Yet, sadly, they lost their lives.
- Construction workers have had items thrown at them from passing cars and verbally harassed by drivers passing through the work zone. This is often hard, hot work complicated by significant risk to life and limb.

Distracted drivers are becoming more of a problem as we use more and more smart phones and navigation systems – and this doesn't only apply to work zones.

In 2014, 3,179 people were killed and 431,000 were injured in motor vehicle crashes involving distracted drivers.

Each day in the United States, more than eight people are killed and 1,161 injured in crashes that are reported to involve using a cell phone, texting, or eating.

Using in-vehicle technologies (such as navigation systems) can also be sources of distraction.

While any of these distractions can endanger the driver and others, texting while driving is especially dangerous because it combines all three types of distraction.

It's frightening to hear that at any given daylight moment across America approximately 660,000 drivers are using cell phones or manipulating electronic devices while driving, a number that has held steady since 2010.

According to the CDC, at 55 mph, the average text takes your eyes off the road long enough to cover a football field.

When you take your eyes off the road for a few seconds to read a text, you can miss a warning sign, break through safety cones, plow into a group of workers or crash into another car, putting both workers and other drivers in danger.

Next time you are out there driving, please think about these statistics we've shared with you, put down your cell phone, stay focused on your driving and obey all work zone speed limits and signage.

And please think about those highway workers who are out there working to keep your roads safe for you and your family.

Let's try to do the same for them.

Buckle Up. Phone Down.

2017 BUDDY BASS TOURNAMENT



Hello Brothers and Sisters,

First, this year's tournament is dedicated to Kevin Cerney. Kevin passed away earlier this year. He was always a help to the tournament and was instrumental in some of the positive changes seen. He will be missed.

We had 76 boats this year. The weather at weigh in was 77°. There were 238 fish caught (648 lbs. of fish, up almost 200 lbs. from last year). We had one incident involving retired B.A., Jim Kennedy. We wish him a speedy recovery.

The winners of the tournament with 23 pounds of fish caught are Chris Bybee and Anthony Schmidt out of K.C. Local 1529. Big bass went to Dan Dyrland (6.56 lbs.) of Local 2214.

A special thank you goes out to: Cari Bauer, CRC for supplying the food at weigh in, Dave Bauer CRC accounting, John Stewart of Pro Loan, all the locals who donated to make the event successful, Robin's Resort and the Elks Lodge (special thanks to Bill from Robin's), Local 32 for the use of their food trailer, Ted Kaimann President of Local 32

We had over 75 amazing sponsors. Please patronize them as much as possible this year, and tell them thank you for their support.

We were able to upgrade our trailer this year. A huge thank you to the CRC. We had the trailer wrapped and the graphic design was completed by Jenny Woodard.

Finally, thank you to the committee members. They work hard all year to make the tournament a great success: Co-chair Mike Sheer, Steve Avery Local 97, Paul Heath Local 716, David Hannah Local 1839, Jason Roellig Local 1839, Josh Tohtz Local 92, Dan Morgan Local 92, Larry Strub Local 92, Jacob Scepurek Local 664, Dave Potts, George Tutza Local 92.

Fraternally,

Jeffrey S. Hayes, President of Local 92
Chairman of Carpenter's Buddy Bass Tournament

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Big Bass: 6.56 lbs.
Dan Dyrland (Local 2214)



Committee:

- (L-R back row) Mike Scheer (co-chair)
- Steve Avery, George Tutza, Jeff Hayes (chair), Jake Scep- urek, Dave Potts
- (L-R front row) Paul Heath, Danny Morgan, John Steward



1st Place: 23 lbs. 6 fish
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TREASURE TROVE

A piece of Carpenter history in black & white

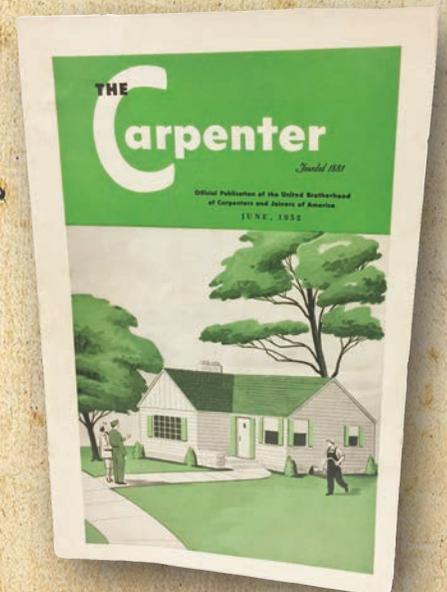
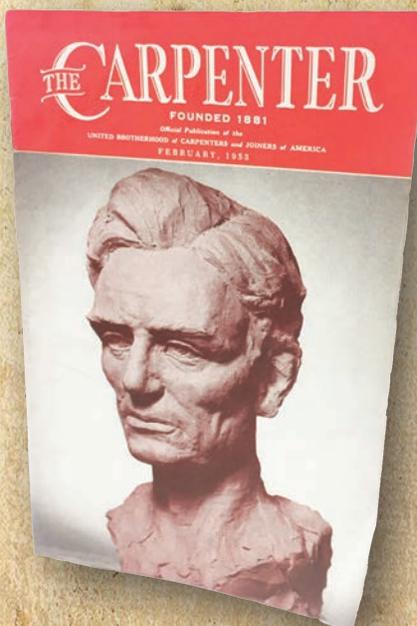
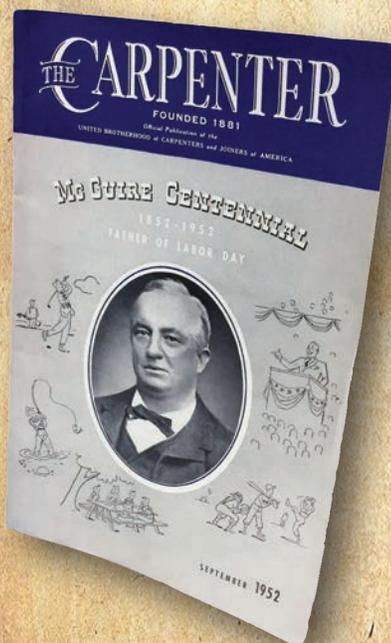
A rare glimpse into the life of long-ago union carpenters has been rediscovered in a St. Charles, Missouri garage. A collection of vintage *Carpenter* magazines, the official publication of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, was sitting in storage until owner Keith Colley stumbled upon them.

"I was in my garage getting rid of some old motorcycle parts when I found them. I had completely forgotten that I had them."

The magazines, some issues dating back to the 1930s, are in remarkably good condition; no doubt due to sitting undisturbed for two decades in Colley's garage.



Keith Colley (Local 716), owner of Water Cooling Equipment in Hazelwood, MO.





At a time when union membership was at its peak, cartoons demanding rights and recognition were common.



From the still intact mailing labels, it appears the original owner was a carpenter from Illinois named Frank Weber, Jr. All Colley knows about the magazines' backstory is that a friend of his, Bill Ducey of Local 742, purchased them at an estate sale many, many years ago.

Ducey eventually gave them to Colley, who has been their caretaker since the 1990s.

If nothing else, the collection serves as a reminder of how much the world, and the carpentry profession, has changed since the first half of the 20th Century.

Each issue features trade tips, articles on national politics, commentary cartoons and advertisements for the latest and greatest carpentry tools, like the Disston Steel hand saw (*"It makes better work easier to do!"*)

"I remember when I first joined the union the older guys told me that when tape measures first came out they wanted nothing to do with them. They insisted on still using the old folding rulers," Colley said.



Not sure what to do with his discovery, Colley contacted Carpenters Representative Paul Higgins to see if the union would have any interest in this piece of UBC heritage.

"I'm going to talk to the people at the training center in Las Vegas," Higgins said. "They have a tremendous display of old tools and photographs out there and I think this collection of the *Carpenter* magazine would be a perfect addition."

First published in 1881, the UBC's journal is one of the oldest continuously published magazines in America.

Flipping through the pages of old issues is a step back in time when work was manual and pay was minuscule.

"It's mind blowing to look at this stuff here in the 21st Century. These guys were paid change and hand cutting everything," Colley said.

And during the Depression era, they were probably glad to have the money and the work.

Colley hopes a place can be found to proudly exhibit the magazines that have survived all these decades later.

"I would much rather have them somewhere being displayed than sitting on a shelf here in my shop."



WORKING MOM

A Pioneering Carpenter Raised Her Family and Paved the Way

Reprinted courtesy of AdVantage News
By Melissa Meske

“The best cook ever. The glue that holds everyone together. We have the best mom in the whole world. She is everything to us.”

That’s what sisters Tammy Smith and Ericka Smith say about their mother, Jacquelyn Ruffin of Alton. Siblings Justin Smith and Shalon White concur. And while many of us could say the same when telling our mother’s story, these siblings have a mom whose story is one of a kind.

Ruffin, whom most people know best as Jackie, retired six years ago after working hard for 30 years and raising four children as a single mom. At age 60, that doesn’t seem like an exceptional story in itself.

What sets her story apart is that she spent those 30 years working as a union carpenter. As a single mom, that alone makes her story stand out. As an African-American female, that makes her story stand out even more. And her story continues to serve as an inspiration to her children, her grandchildren, her extended family and to the Alton community as a whole. Ruffin, originally from Edwardsville, was one of the first women in the 1979 Women in Construction program at Lewis and Clark Community College in Godfrey. There were 10 women enrolled into the program that year, and Jackie was among the six who finished. She was the only one who made it a lifelong occupation, extending over 30 years.

“I got into it on a whim,” she said. A group of friends convinced her to ride with them to take the



Photo: Jackie Ruffin

Jackie Ruffin (center) surrounded by her family: L-R Justin Smith, Ericka Smith, Tammy Smith and Shalon White

program entrance exam because she knew her way around the area. Ruffin wasn’t planning on testing herself, but when she learned she would be waiting for hours while her friends took the test, she decided to take it too, just to pass the time.

“I took a 1-by-1-inch metal piece and made it into a ring, and I also wired up an electrical switch,” she said. “I did it well enough that the program coordinator took me in. It was worth 20 credit hours, a six-month program.”

After completing her classroom coursework, Ruffin entered into her carpenter apprenticeship in November 1980. Four years later, she was holding her journeyman license. She has been carrying her Carpenters Union card for 37 years now, starting with Local 377, which would later be merged with Local 664.

“The first years of work were slow, but then it picked up,” she said. “I worked with a good group of guys. I was just a little gal, and sometimes I had to lift and carry more than my body could handle. I prayed to God to help me do what I had to do each day, and he carried me through.”

The most exciting years of her work, Ruffin said, came from being involved with the building of Alton’s locks and dam during the second and third phases of the project. She has worked on numerous projects big and small throughout the region, including the “new” Clark Bridge, Illinois 255 overpasses and multiple refinery projects.

“I was in and out of ConocoPhillips on projects since 1984,” Ruffin said, with her last four years of work spent there even more. During her apprenticeship, she was also part of the crew that worked on Gordon Moore Park’s baseball dugouts.

“One of my supervisors early on told me to show up, do the work, work hard and prove yourself,” she said, adding that he told her if she did, she would get noticed and be taken seriously.

His sage words of wisdom proved true.

"I worked hard and was always able to catch on quick, and that helped too," she said.

"I was just a single mom trying to take care of my kids. And once the paychecks started coming in, I knew it was a good thing," she said, laughing. "I did it with no alarm clock, no call-offs, no absences and lots of overtime — and I loved it."

"I always managed to get my work done, but it was not done without the help of others," she added. "Most importantly, I know I could not have done it without the help of the man upstairs. It was God who made all of this possible."

Family is undoubtedly at the heart of her motivation, and that sentiment has been carried throughout her family's generations.

She raised her four children to be strong and successful in their own lives, instilling an exemplary work ethic in each of them. Perhaps this is in part because of her own upbringing. Her mother died when she was 10, and she was one of nine children. Her father worked two jobs to make ends meet, and Ruffin, being one of the older children as the third of nine, had to jump in and help her dad raise her younger siblings.

Her dad lives in Danville, Ill., after retiring from the Teamsters and working for the Illinois Department of Corrections. Some of her siblings live in the Alton area as well, including Eva Perkins, Connie Douglas, Craig Smith, Monica Smith and Teresa Stokes. Ruffin said she is also blessed with nine grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren.

"We get our work ethic from our mom," daughter Tammy said. "She has inspired me, and all of us, to do better with my life."

Tammy is known by many around Alton as the city's 4th Ward alderman and as founder and director of A Precious Organization, which raises awareness and funding for sickle cell disease. She has also worked as a security therapy aide for 22 years at the Alton Mental Health Center. "Mom has always told us 'if you don't like a situation, change it,'" Tammy said. "I always want to be just like her. I love my kids like she has loved us. And when we were growing up and I realized how hard she was working, for all of us, I jumped in to help her — because I wanted to."

"She has been an inspiration to all of our family, and to all of our friends," daughter Ericka said. "Mom is very strong, a hard worker, a mentor and an adviser to everyone who knows her. And she is everything to us." Ericka is in management at Lumiere Casino in St. Louis. Ruffin's daughter Shalon White is an entrepreneur, as the owner of Shalon Salon on Front Street in Alton. "Mom always told us to be strong, work hard, strive hard," Shalon said. "You can only depend on you; you have to do it yourself. And I've done it, which has taught me to raise my kids now the same way."

Shalon also said that her mom is not just hers, "She's everyone's mom." And all of Ruffin's children say the same. "My friends will stop by mom's house whether or not I'm there," said Ruffin's son, Justin Smith, who works as a marketing manager for MillerCoors in Dallas. "Everyone loves her,

everyone knows her, and everyone is welcome. And they all know she is the best cook."

"Mom always told me to do my job and I'd be noticed," Justin said.

As the only male in a house full of females growing up, Justin said Ruffin did as best she could to teach him how to be a man.

She kept him in sports and kept him busy.

"And I kept him out of trouble," Ruffin said. "My schedule was always jam-packed," Justin said.

He said one of the most important lessons his mom reinforced as he was growing up was the importance of being a provider.

"I can remember the first time watching mom go out to work, getting in that blue Chevy van, and being gone from sunup to sundown, coming home all tired and sweaty at the end of the day," Justin said. "Then when I got my first internship at Olin, working in an office and complaining about how hard it was, I remembered what my mom did every day.

"Having a mom who supports your decisions is huge," Justin said. "With our mom, you don't have to be perfect. She always tells us that if it doesn't work, we'll figure it out." On top of her work ethic, this is another quality Justin admires most about his mother. Tammy shared a few final thoughts. "We are so lucky to have our mom, and to have her here with us," she said. "I can't imagine what it would be like without her. We all share our love, our thoughts, and our prayers with all of those out there who are missing their moms. And we know we are so blessed." ■

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5 pm
1401 Hampton Ave, Hall #2
St. Louis, MO 63139

LOCAL 92

3rd Wednesday of each month
7 pm
1401 Hampton Ave, Hall #1
St. Louis, MO 63139

LOCAL 97

3rd Tuesday of each month
7 pm
1401 Hampton Ave, Hall #1
St. Louis, MO 63139

LOCAL 110

3rd Thursday of each month
7 pm
310 South Belt Highway
St. Joseph, MO 64506

LOCAL 201

1st Thursday of each month
6 pm
8405 E. Kellogg Drive
Wichita, KS 67207

LOCAL 311

3rd Thursday of each month
7:30 pm
719 ½ South Main Street
Joplin, MO 64801

LOCAL 315

3rd Wednesday of the month
7 pm
Carpenters' Training Facility
8955 E. 38th Terrace
Kansas City, MO 64129

LOCAL 634

1st Thursday of each month
7:30 pm
1325-1 West Whittaker St
Salem, IL 62881-2034

LOCAL 636

2nd Monday of each month
7 pm
314 Main Street
Mt. Vernon, IL 62864

LOCAL 638

2nd Wednesday of each month
7 pm
3309 Water Tower Road
Marion, IL 62959

LOCAL 640

1st Monday of each month
6:30 pm
801 Market Street
Metropolis, IL 62960-1635

LOCAL 662

3rd Tuesday of each month
7:30 pm
Southwestern Illinois Carpenters' Hall
800 South State Street
Freeburg, IL 62243

LOCAL 664

1st Tuesday of each month
6 pm
Moose Lodge
730 Wesley Drive
Wood River, IL 62095

LOCAL 716

3rd Thursday of each month
7:30 pm
1401 Hampton Ave, Hall #1
St. Louis, MO 63139

LOCAL 777

1st Wednesday of each month
7 pm
American Legion Hall
303 East Pearl St.
Harrisonville, MO 64701

LOCAL 918

3rd Monday of each month
6:30 pm
710 Moro Street
Manhattan, KS 66502

LOCAL 945

2nd Thursday of each month
6:00 pm
5218 Business 50 West
Jefferson City, MO 65109

LOCAL 978

1st Thursday of each month
7 pm
4639 Pfeiffer Court
Springfield, MO 65803

LOCAL 1008

1st Monday of each month
7 pm
115 South 4th Street
Louisiana, MO 63353

LOCAL 1127

2nd Wednesday of each month
7 pm
Carpenters' Training Facility
8955 E. 38th Terrace
Kansas City, MO 64129

LOCAL 1181

Last Tuesday of each month
5:30 pm
Carpenters' Training Facility
8955 E. 38th Terrace
Kansas City, MO 64129

LOCAL 1310

4th Thursday of each month
7 pm
1401 Hampton Ave, Hall #2
St. Louis, MO 63139

LOCAL 1445

2nd Wednesday of each month
6:30 pm
Training Center
212 N. W. Norris
Topeka, KS 66608

LOCAL 1529

1st Wednesday of each month
7 pm
Carpenters' Training Facility
8955 E. 38th Terrace
Kansas City, MO 64129

LOCAL 1596

1st Wednesday of each month
7:30 pm
1401 Hampton Ave, Hall #1
St. Louis, MO 63139

LOCAL 1770

1st Friday of each month
7:30 pm
815 Enterprise Street
Cape Girardeau, MO 63703

LOCAL 1795

4th Wednesday of each month
7pm
85 South Henry Street
Farmington, MO 63640

LOCAL 1839

3rd Wednesday of each month
7:30 pm
Knights of Columbus
1121 Columbus Lane
Washington, MO 63090

LOCAL 1925

2nd Wednesday of each month
6 pm
404 Tiger Lane
Columbia, MO 65203

LOCAL 2030

1st Wednesday of each month
7:30 pm
Quarry Workers Hall
380 East Market
St. Genevieve, MO 63670

LOCAL 2214

2nd Thursday @ 7pm
1320 YMCA Drive
Festus, MO 63028

LOCAL 2298

3rd Friday @ 7pm
1312 E. State Route 72
Rolla, MO 65401

RETIREES' CLUB #2— KANSAS CITY, MO

Golden Corral 19120 Northwest Valley View Rd.
Independence, MO 64057

The monthly meeting is on the **third Monday at 11:30am**
If you have any questions about membership, email club president **Ivan Manning** at i_manning@sbcglobal.net

RETIREES' CLUB #21 — ST. LOUIS, MO

1401 Hampton Ave., St. Louis, Missouri.

The monthly meeting is on the **second Wednesday at 10:15am**

Aug. Menu:

Pulled Pork, Beef Brisket, Baked Beans, Potato salad, Salad, Cheese & Relish Trays, White & Wheat Bread, Cake, Tea & Coffee

Sept. Menu:

Bone-in Baked Chicken, Turkey, Au gratin Potatoes, Corn, Salad, Relish Tray, Rolls & Butter, Cake, Tea & Coffee

Oct. Menu:

Roast Beef, Baked Ham with Pineapple slices, Cavatelli Con Broccoli, Parsley Buttered Potatoes, Salad, Cheese & Relish Trays, White and Wheat Bread, Cake, Tea & Coffee

If you have any questions about membership, call club president **Al Bauman** at (314) 402-1999.

ST CHARLES RETIREEES' CLUB — ST. CHARLES, MO

Knights of Columbus Hall, 20 Westbury Dr., St. Charles, MO 63301

The monthly meeting is on the **third Thursday at 10:30am** (lunch served at Noon.) Please be sure to call in your lunch reservations the Monday before our meeting. For lunch reservations and Retirees' Club information, please call club president **Bob Roth** at (636) 724-7804.

LOCAL 32 RETIREEES' CLUB— WENTZVILLE, MO

Larry Elms' Training Center, 755 Parr Road, Wentzville, MO 63385

We encourage all Retirees from our Local as well as their spouse and/or special guest to attend our monthly meetings.

The monthly meeting is on the **second Friday at Noon.**

Please RSVP the Monday before the meeting.

Call **Darrel Reed** at (636) 544-1406, or email reed_dl@hotmail.com

LOCAL 664 RETIREEES' CLUB — WOOD RIVER, IL

Moose Lodge, 730 Wesley Drive, Wood River, Illinois 62095

Meeting Times:

3rd Wednesday in March / 3rd Wednesday in June / 3rd Wednesday in September / 2nd Wednesday in December — Noon to 2pm.

Please call **Sam Leonard** at (217) 851-4036 or **Louis Mushill** at (618) 806-7465 to RSVP for the luncheon.

Central Dues Collection Locations

KANSAS CITY AREA

Mon. – Fri. 7 am – 4:30 pm

8955 E 38th Terrace
Kansas City, MO 64129
(816) 931-7265

ST. LOUIS / SOUTHERN ILLINOIS AREAS

Mon. – Fri. 6:30 am – 4:30 pm

1401 Hampton Avenue
St. Louis, MO 63139

Locals 57, 97, 607, 638, 640, 662, 1839

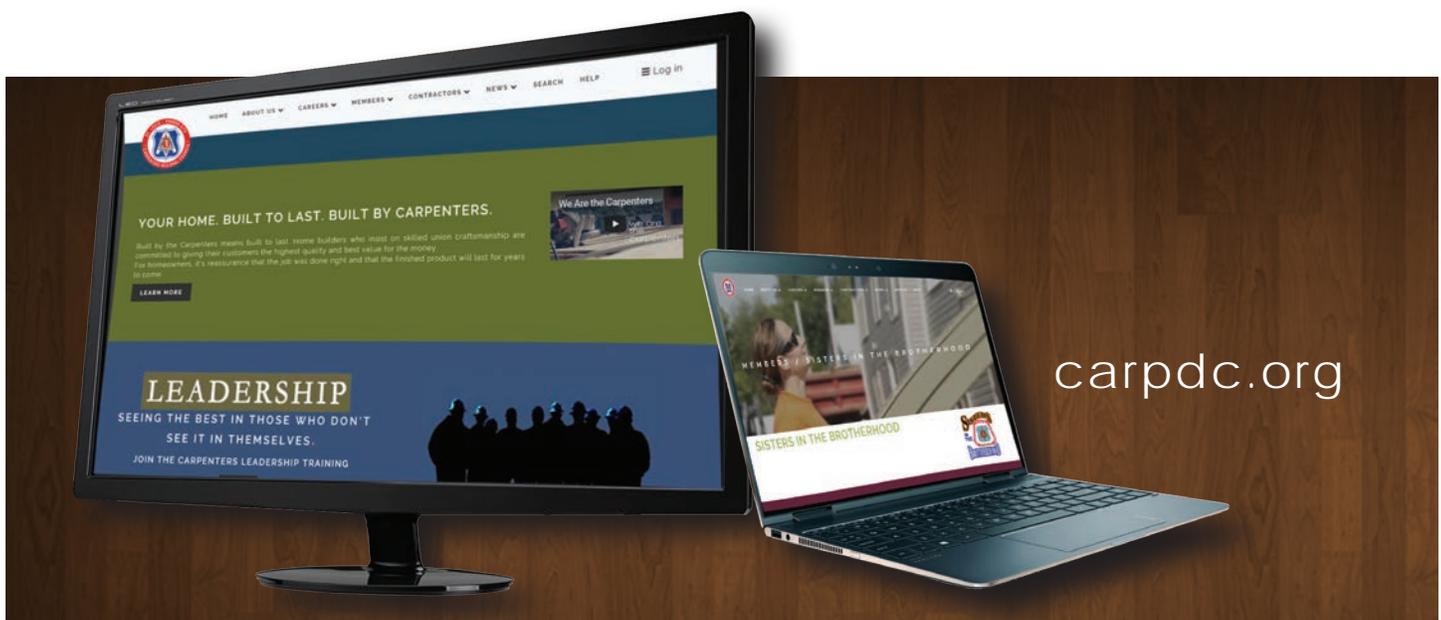
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Jerry York (Rm. 217) | jyork@carpdc.org
(314) 644-7203





June 10 - Locals 945 & 1925 help gather petition signatures to block so-called "Right to Work."



April 24 - Job Corps, more than a dozen tech schools and contractors took part in a Carpenters' job fair at the Nelson-Mulligan Training Center. Floor laying, carpentry, electrical and other trades got some one-on-one time with young men and women just getting started in construction. Thanks goes out to all of our generous contractors taking part (Bam Construction, Interface Construction, Clay Co, Cheltenham Construction Services, Builder's Bloc, Fischer & Frichtel, TJ Wies, Country Side, Tony Prince, and Richardet Flooring Covering)



June 10 - Local 1839 in Franklin County, Missouri hosts a "drive-thru" petition signing for voters wanting to add their names to the STOP "Right to Work" petition.



April 12 - A major redevelopment plan, more than 20 years in the making, is finally getting off the ground with some help from the Carpenters. The \$27-million project will include 150 units of housing for low to middle-income residents in St. Louis' Forest Park Southeast neighborhood, which is seeing an explosion of new interest thanks to expansions at BJC Medical Center and the Cortex tech district. The Carpenters Union is pitching in with some initial financing to get the dirt moving. (L-R: Washington University Chancellor Mark Wrighton, CRC Reps. Marvin Sanders and Keith Taylor.)



June 3 - Central Missouri Carpenters Apprenticeship Program would like to thank all those who took part in this year's golf outing at Railwood Golf Course. Apprentices and their mentors got a chance to hang out, create memories and strengthen the future of our brotherhood. A special thanks to Locals 945 and 1925 for sponsoring.



SNAPSHOTS



May 5 - The St. Charles County Housing Conference, held at the Carpenters training center in Wentzville, explored important issues facing architects, real estate agents, home builders and affordable housing advocates. The troubling shortage of skilled construction workers was also a hot topic.



June 7 - Executive Secretary-Treasurer Al Bond speaks with Carpenter members at a job site lunch at the Sunnen Apartments construction project in St. Louis County.

June 15 - The Building Union Diversity program graduated its ninth class of pre-apprentice students.



April 7 - The CRC was well represented at the annual St. Charles Home Show.



There is no cost to the CRC member, employed by contributing union contractor, who properly registers, attends and completes courses (seated or online)

* Indicates courses that meet 8-hour safety requirement

Jefferson City Carpenters Joint Apprenticeship Program

5218 Business Rt. 50 W., Jefferson City MO 65109 (573) 556-6040 / M-F: 7a-3:30p. To register for a course contact Matt Hurley at (573) 556-6040

Course Name	Start/End Date	Course Time	Prerequisites or Notes
First Aid/CPR/AED* (8hr)	8/2 - 8/3	4:30p - 8:30p	Meet 2 Nights
Forklift - Rough Terrain "Lull"* (8hr)	8/24 - 8/25	4:30p - 8:30p	Meets 2 Nights
Forklift - Rough Terrain "Lull"* (8hr)	8/25	7a - 3:30p	
Forklift - Rough Terrain "Lull"* (8hr)	8/26	7a - 3:30p	
Scaffolding Erector Qualification* (32hr)	9/11 - 9/14	7a - 3:30p	Meets 4 Days
Scaffolding Erector Qualification Refresher* (8hr)	9/15	7a - 3:30p	
First Aid/CPR* (8hr)	9/20 - 9/21	4:30p - 8:30p	Meets 2 Nights
Aerial Lift Operator Qualification* (8hr)	10/9 - 10/10	4:30p - 8:30p	Meets 2 Nights
Welding Safety* (8hr)	10/17 - 10/18	4:30p - 8:30p	Meets 2 Nights

Kansas City Carpenters Joint Apprenticeship Program

Carpenters Training Center 8955 East 38th Terrace, Kansas City MO 64129 (816) 471-0883 / M-F: 7a-4p. To register for a course contact Angie Newton or Sarah McDaniel at (816) 471-0883

Course Name	Start/End Date	Course Time	Prerequisites or Notes
Forklift*	8/1 - 8/3	5p - 9p	Meets 2 Nights
Construction Fall Protection	8/15 - 8/17	5p - 9p	Meets 2 Nights
Forklift - Rough Terrain*	8/15 - 8/17	5p - 9p	Meets 2 Nights
Works Keys Practice & Testing	8/15 - 8/17	5p - 9p	Meets 2 Nights/Test 8/17
First Aid/CPR*	8/22 - 8/24	5p - 9p	Meets 2 Nights
First Aid/CPR/AED*	8/29 - 8/31	5p - 9p	Meets 2 Nights
Forklift - Rough Terrain*	9/11 - 9/14	5p - 9p	Meets 2 Nights
Construction Fall Protection	9/19 - 9/21	5p - 9p	Meets 2 Nights
Works Keys Practice & Testing	9/19 - 9/21	5p - 9p	Meets 2 Nights/Test 9/21
First Aid/CPR/AED*	9/26 - 9/28	5p - 9p	Meets 2 Nights
Forklift*	10/3 - 10/5	5p - 9p	Meets 2 Nights
Aerial Lift Operator Qualification	10/17 - 10/19	5p - 9p	Meets 2 Nights
Works Keys Practice & Testing	10/24 - 10/26	5p - 9p	Meets 2 Nights/Test 10/26
First Aid/CPR/AED*	10/30 - 11/1	5p - 9p	Meets 2 Nights

Kansas City Floor Layers' Joint Apprenticeship Program

Carpenters Training Center 8955 East 38th Terrace, Kansas City MO 64129 (816) 960-8131 / M-F: 7a-4p. To register for a course contact Doug Mannell at (816) 960-8131 or email dmannell@cjtf.org

Course Name	Start/End Date	Course Time	Prerequisites or Notes
Schonox	8/8	5p - 9p	Continuing Education
ICRA: Infectious Control Risk Assessment	8/7 - 8/19	5p - 9p (Mon. & Wed.) 7a - 3:30p (Sat.)	Safety
Heat Welding	8/14	5p - 9p	Continuing Education
Mapei Floor Prep & Ceramic Products	8/15 - 8/16	5p - 9p	Continuing Education

INSTALL Carpet/Resilient Certifications	8/24 - 8/26	4:30p - 8:30p (Thurs.) 7a - 3:30p (Sat.)	Safety
INSTALL Floor Prep Certification	8/24 - 8/26	4:30p - 8:30p (Thurs.) 7a - 3:30p (Sat.)	Safety
Uzin Distressed Substrates	9/11	5p - 9p	Continuing Education
INSTALL Carpet/Resilient Certifications	9/21 - 9/23	4:30p - 8:30p (Thurs.) 7a - 3:30p (Sat.)	Safety
INSTALL Floor Prep Certification	9/21 - 9/23	4:30p - 8:30p (Thurs.) 7a - 3:30p (Sat.)	Safety
Pattern Scribing	9/27	5p - 9p	Continuing Education
ICRA: Infectious Control Risk Assessment	10/3 - 10/21	5p - 9p (Tues. & Wed.) 7a - 3:30p (Sat.)	Safety
Direct Scribe	10/17	5p - 9p	Continuing Education
INSTALL Carpet/Resilient Certifications	10/26 - 10/28	4:30p - 8:30p (Thurs.) 7a - 3:30p (Sat.)	Safety
INSTALL Floor Prep Certification	10/26 - 10/28	4:30p - 8:30p (Thurs.) 7a - 3:30p (Sat.)	Safety

Kaw Valley Carpenters Joint Apprenticeship Program

Carpenters Training Center of Topeka 212 N.W. Norris Street, Topeka KS 66608 (785) 233-5499 / M-F: 7a-4p. To register for a course contact Jay Spencer at (785) 233-5499 or Kim vonSoosten at (785) 233-4369

Course Name	Start/End Date	Course Time	Prerequisites or Notes
Aerial Lift Operator Qualification*	8/1 - 8/2	5p - 9p	Meets 2 Nights
First Aid/CPR*	8/19	7a - 3:30p	Saturday Class
Forklift - Industrial*	9/5 - 9/6	5p - 9p	Meets 2 Nights
Weld Safety*	9/19 - 9/20	5p - 9p	Meets 2 Nights
Construction Fall Protection*	10/3 - 10/4	5p - 9p	Meets 2 Nights
Scaffolding Erector Refresher*	10/17 - 10/18	5p - 9p	Meets 2 Nights

Southeastern Missouri Carpenters Joint Apprenticeship Program

813 Enterprise Street, Cape Girardeau MO 63703 (573) 335-1936 / M-F: 8a-5p. To register for a course contact Lisa at (573) 335-1936 or Toll-Free (800) 300-1886

Course Name	Start/End Date	Course Time	Prerequisites or Notes
Forklift - Rough Terrain	8/4	7a - 3:30p	Meets 1 Day
Open Weld Shop	8/9 - 8/10	5p - 9p	
Aerial Lift Operator Qualification	8/11	7a - 3:30p	Meets 1 Day
Forklift - Industrial*	8/18	7a - 3:30p	Meets 1 Day
ICRA* Best Practices in Healthcare	6/10 - 6/24	7a - 3:30p	Meets 3 Saturdays
Basic Shaft Alignment	8/21 - 8/25	7a - 3:30p	Meets 5 Days
UBC Scaffolding Erector	8/28- 8/31	5p-9p	Meets 4 Days
First Aid/CPR/AED*	9/1	7a - 3:30p	Saturday Class
Open Weld Shop	9/13 - 9/14	5p - 9p	
OSHA 10/MW 16	10/3 - 10/4	7a - 3:30p	Meets 2 Days
Open Weld Shop	10/11 - 10/12	5p - 9p	
Aerial Lift Operator Qualification	10/20	7a - 3:30p	Meets 1 Day

Southern Illinois Carpenters Joint Apprenticeship Program

2290 S. Illinois St., Belleville IL 62220 (618) 277-2051 / M-F: 8a-4p. Apprentices must register at www.cjtf.org. Journey-level call (314) 644-4802, Ext. 1044 or Toll-Free (877) 232-3863

Course Name	Start/End Date	Course Time	Prerequisites or Notes
Work Keys Remediation & Testing	8/5 9/9 10/7	7a - 12p 7a - 12p 7a - 12p	This is a one day class that meets the first Saturday of each month
ICRA* Best Practices in Healthcare	8/14 - 8/26	4:30p - 9:30p	Meets 4 Nights/1 Sat.
Commercial Door Hardware	8/21 - 8/26	4p - 9p	Meets 4 Nights/1 Sat.

Springfield Carpenters Joint Apprenticeship Program

4639 West Pfeiffer Ct., Springfield MO 65803 (417) 869-5499 / M-F: 9a-5p. To register for a course contact Tony Blackstock at (417) 869-8930

Course Name	Start/End Date	Course Time	Prerequisites or Notes
First Aid/CPR	8/5	7:30a - 4p	Saturday Class
Lead Awareness	8/19	7:30a - 4p	Saturday Class
ICRA	8/22 - 8/31	5p - 9p (Tues./Thurs.) 7a - 4p (Sat.)	
Open Welding	8/28 - 8/29	5p - 9p	Mon. & Tues.
Construction Fall Protection	9/12 - 9/14	5p - 9p	Tues. & Thurs.
Open Welding	9/25 - 9/26	5p - 9p	Mon. & Tues.
OSHA 10	9/28 - 9/30	5p - 9p (Thurs.) 7a - 4p (Sat.)	
Welding Safety	10/7	7:30a - 4p	Saturday Class
Mold Awareness	10/10 - 10/12	5p - 9p	Tues. & Thurs.
First Aid/CPR	10/21	7:30a - 4p	Saturday Class
Scaffolding Erector Refresher*	10/24 - 10/26	5p - 9p	Mon. & Tues.
Open Welding	10/30 - 10/31	5p - 9p	Mon. & Tues.

Springfield Floor Layer's Joint Apprenticeship Program

4639 West Pfeiffer Ct., Springfield MO 65803 (417) 869-5499 / M-F: 9a-5p. To register for a course contact Tony Blackstock at (417) 869-8930

Course Name	Start/End Date	Course Time
Diagonal Tile Layout/Installation	8/1	5p - 9p
INSTALL Certification Carpet & Resilient	8/3 - 8/5	4:30p - 8:30p (Thurs.) 7a - 3:30p (Sat.)
Flash Cove Part 1* (Cap & Cove Layout)	8/15	5p - 9p
Diagonal Tile Layout/Installation	9/5	5p - 9p
INSTALL Certification Carpet & Resilient	9/7 - 9/9	4:30p - 8:30p (Thurs.) 7a - 3:30p (Sat.)
Flash Cove Part 2* (Cap & Cove Layout)	8/15	5p - 9p
Diagonal Tile Layout/Installation	10/3	5p - 9p
INSTALL Certification Carpet & Resilient	10/5 - 10/7	4:30p - 8:30p (Thurs.) 7a - 3:30p (Sat.)
Flash Cove Part 3* (Cap & Cove Layout)	8/15	5p - 9p

St. Louis Carpenters Joint Apprenticeship Program

The Nelson-Mulligan Carpenters' Training School 8300 Valcour Ave., Affton MO 63123 Carpenters/Cabinetmakers (314) 457-8300 / M-F: 7a-4p.
Apprentices must register at www.cjtf.org. Journey-Level please call (314) 644-4802, Ext. 1044 or Toll-Free (800) 232-3863

Course Name	Start/End Date	Course Time	Prerequisites or Notes
First Aid/CPR*	8/19	8a - 4:30p	Saturday Class
UBC Rigger & Signaler (CRS)*	9/2 - 9/16	6p - 10p (Tues. & Wed.) 8a - 4:30p (Sat.)	
UBC Rigger & Signaler Refresher*	9/2 - 9/12	6p - 10p (Tues. & Wed.) 8a - 4:30p (Sat.)	
Intermediate Print Reading	9/6 - 11/8	6p - 10p	Meets 10 Nights
Building Information Modeling	9/11 - 9/12	6p - 10p	Meets 2 Nights
Scaffolding 32 hr Qualification*	9/12 - 9/27	6p - 10p (Tues. & Wed.) 8a - 4:30p (Sat.)	
Intro to Computers	9/13 - 11/15	6p - 10p	Meets 10 Nights
First Aid/CPR*	9/16	8a - 4:30p	Saturday Class
BIM II	9/18 - 9/19	6p - 10p	Meets 2 Nights
ICRA: Best Practices in Health Care 24hr Qual.*	9/19 - 9/30	6p - 10p (Tues. & Wed.) 8a - 4:30p (Sat.)	
ICRA: Best Practices in Health Care 24hr Qual.*	10/3 - 10/14	6p - 10p (Tues. & Wed.) 8a - 4:30p (Sat.)	
Intro to CAD	10/5 - 11/8	6p - 10p	Thursday Class
Basic Commercial Door Hardware	10/9 - 10/14	6p - 10p (Mon. & Tues.) 8a - 4:30p (Sat.)	
Advanced Shat Alignment	10/14 - 11/18	8a - 4:30p	Saturday Class
Solid Surface	10/14 - 10/21	8a - 4:30p	Saturday Classes
Intermediate Stair Building	10/14 - 11/4	8a - 4:30p	Saturday Class
Scaffolding Erector Refresher*	10/17 - 10/18	6p - 10p	Meets 2 Nights
First Aid/CPR*	10/21	8a - 4:30p	Saturday Class

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Tyler Knaust
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Shawn Johnson
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Noah (Lance) Cooper
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CONGRATS
NEW
GRADS

St. Louis CRC Walk-On Safety Training Courses The Nelson – Mulligan Carpenter’s Training School 8300 Valcour Ave., Affton MO 63123 Door #10

- Time: 7a - 3:30p
- You must wear proper attire of white/blues, work shoes and sleeved shirts to all courses.
- OSHA requires a minimum of three students for any OSHA 10 or OSHA 30 course.
- Due to this requirement, all OSHA 10/OSHA 30 courses are now Sign-Up Only Courses.

To pre-register please call Debbie Augustine at (314) 269-5231 or Cari Brauer at (314) 269-5227.

August

OSHA-30 Construction (Day 4 of 4)
Respirators/Hearing Conservation

September

8/12 Mold Awareness
8/26 Respirators/Hearing Conservation
OSHA-30 Construction (Day 1 of 4) (ends 12/9)
Hazard Communications & Chemical Safety (HCCS)
Focus Four
Green Building Awareness
UBC Fall Protection Awareness
Hazard Communications & Chemical Safety (HCCS)
Confined Space/Excavating Awareness
CPWR Disaster Response Worker

October

9/5 Mold Awareness
9/6 Respirators/Hearing Conservation
9/9 Hazard Communications & Chemical Safety (HCCS)
9/12 Green Building Awareness
9/13 OSHA-30 Construction (Day 2 of 4) (ends 12/9)
9/19 STI Scaffolding
9/20 UBC Fall Protection Awareness
9/23 Confined Space/Excavating Awareness
9/26 CPWR Disaster Response Worker
9/27 Focus Four

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Wichita Carpenters Joint Apprenticeship Program

8405 E. Kellogg Drive, Ste., 145, Wichita KS 67217 (316) 524-4915 / M-F: 8a-4p. To register for a course contact Rodney Ford or Jorge Segura at (316) 524-4915 or Rachel Rico at (316) 522-8911

Course Name	Start/End Date	Course Time	Prerequisites or Notes
PITO Industrial Forklift (Bilingual)*	8/5	7a - 3:30p	Saturday Class
Construction Fall Protection (Bilingual)*	8/19	7a - 3:30p	Saturday Class
OSHA 10 (Bilingual)*	8/23 - 8/24	5p - 10p	Meets 2 Nights
First Aid/AED/CPR (Bilingual)*	9/13 - 9/14	5p - 9p	Meets 2 Nights
Scaffolding Erector Refresher (Bilingual)*	9/23	7a - 3:30p	Saturday Class
Aerial Lift Operator Qualification (Bilingual)*	10/7	7a - 3:30p	Saturday Class
PITO Rough Terrain Forklift (Bilingual)*	10/11 - 10/12	5p - 9p	Meets 2 Nights
First Aid/AED/CPR (Bilingual)*	10/25 - 10/26	5p - 9p	Meets 2 Nights

WELCOME NEW CONTRACTORS

Bradford Interior Group, LLC, Brayman Construction Corp., Cabinet Shop LLC, Central Plumbing, Heating & AC, Inc., Crosby Door LLC, Custom Sheet Metal & Roofing, Inc., DMS Retail Interiors, Inc., Ideal Cabinet Solutions, Odom Construction Systems LLC, Stateline Products, TOPS Field Services, Veit & Company, Inc., Whatever It Takes Electrical Contractors, LLC, Westport Pools Inc.



SUMMER FUN

Discount tickets for Carpenter members & families

Go to: carpdc.org > members > mycarpdc > discounts/activities



CARPENTERS LOCAL 945 & 1925 **CLAY SHOOT** River Hills Sporting Clays Sept. 23, 2017 (*Entry Deadline Sept. 8*)

River Hills Sporting Clays 22701 Rocheport Rd. Boonville, MO 65233

Lunch Provided / Golf Carts Provided with Entry Fee ... **\$90** per person / **\$350** 4-person team / **\$100** sign sponsorship
8am Registration 1st Flight: 9am / Second Flight: 1pm *All proceeds benefit CRC Scholarship Fund*

Please mail checks to: Carpenters Union 945 Education Fund / 5218 Business 50 West, Jefferson City, Missouri, 65109

Jason Verslues (573) 644-4025 or Alan Niederschulte (573) 825-6500

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TEAM REGISTRATION:

Sept. 23, 2017 Clay Shoot

Team Name _____

Team Captain _____ Cell # _____

Shooter #2 _____

Shooter #3 _____

Shooter #4 _____

Preferred Shooting Time (*circle one*) A.M. P.M. (*first come pick on time slots*)

Sign Sponsor _____



Cody Dunnegan (Cedar Hill, MO)
Morgan Dunnegan (St. Louis, MO)
Brian Graham (Eldon, MO)
Emily Grope (Washington, MO)
Taylor Hanneken (Washington, MO)
Wilson Hills (Clinton, MO)
Kennedi Harmon (St. Louis, MO)
Erica Hixson (St. Charles, MO)
Emily Hudson (Troy, MO)
Amber Humphreys (Maryland Heights, MO)
Michael Jenkins (Millstadt, IL)
Kayln Jordan (Diamond, MO)
Kristen Kapodistrias (Fenton, MO)
Brayden King (Lee's Summit, MO)
Michael Kleekamp (Washington, MO)
Lucas Koopmann (Breese, IL)
Maria Kramer (Chesterfield, MO)
Syndi McCole (Hazelwood, MO)
Hannah McCommon (Pleasant Hill, MO)
Duncan McClain (East Alton, IL)
William Pratt (Ellsberry, MO)
Paige Rackers (Jefferson City, MO)
Alyssa Range (New Athens, IL)
Haley Schaefer (St. Charles, MO)
Jenna Scroggins (Crane, MO)
Cory Sellers (Herculaneum, MO)
Michael Sloan (Smithboro, IL)
Mallory Smith (Kingdom City, MO)
Jacob Sutton (Steeleville, MO)
Leah Weber (Washington, MO)

Congratulations

to the 2017 Carpenters Scholarship recipients.

The Scholarship Committee has selected 30 students to receive scholarships. Each recipient completed the necessary requirements, including letters of recommendation and an essay.

Each will receive a \$500 check, issued to the school of their choice to pay for tuition, books or other fees.

All scholarship recipients are selected by an independent, third-party committee not associated with the Carpenters Regional Council or the Scholarship Committee.

Best of luck to these deserving students!



IN MEMORIAM

	Local
David Adams (73)	32
Donald Bean (66)	
Carpser Brown, Jr. (63)	32
Richard Busse (74)	1839
Kevin Cerny (59)	
Kent Chambers (65)	1839
George Collins (79)	
Matthew Cooksey (41)	1839
Frank Delbo (83)	
Robert Edgar (86)	2214
Russell Feeler	97
Paul Fiedler	662
Wesley Flor (80)	97
Raymond Gassel (86)	97
Norbert Gotway, Jr. (80)	662
James Harvatin (56)	716
Stephen Hearne (68)	
George Hill (90)	97
John Jakul (92)	32
Omar Kern (83)	662
James Kidd (96)	1770
Donald Klappelmann (80)	1839
Ronald Koenig (70)	32
Robert Leiber (84)	97
Bill Mayer (78)	
Edward McCoy (73)	32
Noah Mills (76)	2214
Peter Moszyk (81)	1596
Williard Peace (79)	1596
Wilmer Prager (60)	
Dois Rand (87)	32
Thomas Reddy (67)	97
Dewey Renfro, Jr. (80)	
Ambrose Sandbothe (94)	32
Dee Shamel (96)	
Archie Smith (93)	1596
Richard Smith (59)	
William Smith (90)	662
Clell Standlee (86)	
Sims Stephenson (82)	97
Edward Suter (90)	97
Thomas Thornton (95)	92
Stephen Torlina (72)	92
Michael Tyson (49)	1310
Robert Webb (94)	97

*“The life of the dead is placed in
the memory of the living.”*
-Cicero



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